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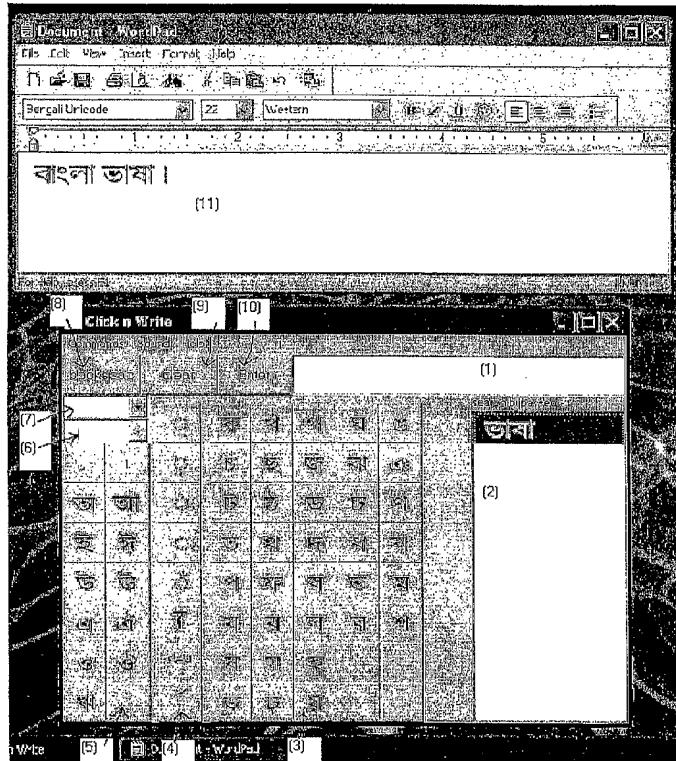
(57) Abstract: An Indic text entry program is proposed which runs on a computer system simultaneously with application software adapted to receive Indic text. The Indic text entry program provides a graphical user interface on a screen of the computer system. A user selects successive Indic characters using a mouse. The successively selected characters are presented in the graphical user interface until, in response to a command from the user, the characters are transferred to the application software. Thus, Indic text can be input to the application software without use of a specially adapted keyboard. The program at each time suggests items from a dictionary consistent with the characters selected so far. If one of the suggestions matches what the user wished to type, the user can select that item rather than typing the rest of the word.

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